

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/608,677
Reply to Office Action dated June 15, 2005

REMARKS

In the subject Action, the Examiner rejected claims 5 and 9. Claims 5 and 9 have been canceled above without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1-4 and 6-8 remain pending in the present application. No new matter has been entered hereby. In light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance.

§102 Rejection

Claim 9 stands rejected as being anticipated by Sundback. The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. However, in order to move this application forward, claim 9 has been canceled above.

§103 Rejection

Claim 5 stands rejected as being obvious over Morin in view of Marinsky. The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. However, in order to move this application forward, claim 5 has been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-4 and 6-8 recite allowable subject matter.

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Conclusion

This response is believed to be responsive to all points raised in the Office Action. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. Should the Examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at 612.336.4755 to discuss the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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